



ST. JUDE NOVENA
PRAYER BOOK

WEEKLY DEVOTIONS TO ST. JUDE

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St. Jude Pray for us

DEVOTION TO ST. JUDE

The origins of devotion to St. Jude as the patron of desperate or hopeless cases are nearly as obscure as details of the life of the great Apostle. These origins seem to have been a spontaneous rising of interest among the faithful themselves, prompted possibly by the fact that according to Sacred Tradition, St. Jude was a near relative, a "cousin" of Jesus, and that as a child he was a playmate of the God-man.

Confusion of the names of St. Jude and the traitor, Judas, effectively discouraged devotion to the saint for many centuries. Devotion to him, consequently, has been of relatively recent origin although there is evidence that this devotion was held in high esteem during the Middle Ages.

Impetus to this devotion was undoubtedly given by Our Lord Himself Who, in a vision, directed St. Bridget of Sweden to turn to St. Jude with great faith and confidence. "In accordance with his surname, 'Thaddeus' — the amiable, loving," said Our Lord, "he will show himself most willing to give help."

The Gospel tells us that St. Jude was a brother of St. James the Less, also one of the twelve apostles. These two together with two other brothers (one St. Simeon of Jerusalem) are described by St. Matthew (13:55) as the

“brethren” of Jesus. In the Hebrew language, the word “brethren” indicates a near relationship.

We are told that St. Jude’s father, Cleophas, was murdered because of his forthright and outspoken devotion to the risen Christ. Mary Cleophas, the mother of St. Jude and St. James the Less, was a cousin of the Virgin Mary. After her death, miracles were attributed to her intercession.

St. Jude is shown, traditionally, as carrying the image of Jesus in his hand. This represents, according to tradition — our principal source of knowledge of the saint — the imprint of the Divine Countenance that was entrusted to him by Our Lord.

The circumstances were these: King Abagaro of Edessa, who suffered from leprosy, sent word to Jesus asking Him to come and cure him. With his request, we are told, the King sent an artist to return with a picture of the Master.

Impressed with his great faith, Our Lord pressed His Image on a cloth and gave it to St. Jude to bring to the King of Edessa and cure him.

The King was cured by St. Jude and together with most of his subjects was converted to Christianity.

After the death and resurrection of Jesus, St. Jude travelled throughout Mesopotamia

for a period of ten years preaching and converting many to Christianity.

He probably returned to Jerusalem for the Council of the Apostles, and then he and St. Simon visited Libya and Persia where many more converts were made.

St. Jude died a martyr's death. Tradition tells us that he was clubbed, possibly into insensibility, and his head was then shattered with a broad ax. Sometime after his death, St. Jude's body was brought to Rome and placed in a crypt in St. Peter's Basilica.

Vatican Council II directed that all devotions to the Blessed Mother and the angels and saints should bring the faithful to a fuller appreciation of the Sacred Liturgy, and that the devotions should also harmonize with the liturgical seasons of the Church. This new book of devotions to St. Jude has been written in accord with these wishes of Vatican Council II.

Vatican Council II, in its Constitution on the Church, recalls the union that the Church on earth has with the apostles, martyrs, and all the saints in heaven. The Council, in the Constitutions on the Church and the Liturgy, warmly recommends that this union be fostered by prayer and devotion, because our companionship with the saints joins us to Christ, from whom issues the life and grace of God's People. The authentic devotion to

the saints will be measured, the Council goes on to say, by the intensity of the active love of the faithful, who seek the intercession of the saints.

A Novena

A novena is a devotion performed for nine consecutive days or nine other consecutive periods. To make a novena with greater fruit one should go to Confession, hear Mass, and receive Holy Communion. One should also have great confidence in God and in the intercession of the Saint in whose honor the novena is made.

DEVOTIONS TO ST. JUDE

In the Name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit. Amen.

Priest:

Confident that the Father will answer all prayers offered in Christ's name, let us now join in prayer the apostle, St. Jude, who enjoys in heaven the triumph of Christ's own death

and resurrection. United with St. Jude's prayers of praise and petition to God and with those of the entire Church Triumphant, let us make these devotions.

Dedication Prayer

To You, Lord Jesus Christ, our Mediator and brother, we offer our prayers today. † We acknowledge the special friendship which Your apostle, St. Jude, has with You. † To his love and friendship with You, we unite our prayers. † We praise and thank God for Your supreme love and friendship for mankind. † We join our prayers intimately with Your generous death on the Cross. † To this enduring act of praise of God, through which all men are made pleasing to the Father, † we ask that our prayers be united. † We join our prayers today to the Eucharistic Sacrifice, † which continues the Sacrifice of Your Death and Your Glorious Resurrection, † and expresses most perfectly the fulfillment of our final union with You. † Be present with us today and each day of our lives. † Deepen our love for God and for each other. † May these graces and favors for which we pray be granted to us through You, Who live and

reign with the Father in union with the Holy Spirit, † God, forever and ever. Amen.

Opening Prayer to St. Jude

St. Jude, cousin and friend of Our Lord during His life on earth, † chosen by Christ to be His apostle and to learn directly from Him the message of our redemption, † join us in our prayers today. † We proudly acknowledge your apostolic role in forming the foundation of Christ's Church † and in taking to many distant places the message of Christ's love for all men. † We take heart at your generous love for Christ and men, † which ended in martyrdom. † We fully believe you now share as your reward the happiness of heaven † and have sealed forever your earthly friendship with Christ. † Perhaps, because you share the same name as the man who betrayed Our Lord, † your role as an apostle and friend of Christ was long forgotten by men. † But, now, men pray to you as the patron of hopeless cases and despairing situations. † Now we ask your help. † As sinners we are aware of the complete trust we must have in God's mercy and love. † Intercede with God to give us the strong faith to live with our sorrows and trials. † Help us to see in our troubles God's plan for our salvation. † We ask for your intercession with God for our present needs.

Invocations to St. Jude

St. Jude, cousin of Jesus, *listen to our prayer!*

St. Jude, apostle of Christ, *listen to our prayer!*

St. Jude, who shared in the love of the Blessed Mother for Christ and His disciples, *listen to our prayer!*

St. Jude, present at the Last Supper, and who received the Holy Eucharist from Christ, *listen to our prayer!*

St. Jude, who suffered in seeing the passion and death of Christ, *listen to our prayer!*

St. Jude, who rejoiced at seeing Christ risen from the dead, *listen to our prayer!*

St. Jude, who assisted at the glorious Ascension of Christ into heaven, *listen to our prayer!*

St. Jude, filled with the Holy Spirit on the day of Pentecost, *listen to our prayer!*

St. Jude, who preached the Gospel of Christ, *listen to our prayer!*

St. Jude, who converted many people to the Faith, *listen to our prayer!*

St. Jude, who worked many wonders through the power of the Holy Spirit, *listen to our prayer!*

St. Jude, martyr for Christ, *listen to our prayer!*

St. Jude, patron of the despairing, *listen to our prayer!*

St. Jude, intercessor for difficult cases, *listen to our prayer!*

St. Jude, consoler of the distressed, *listen to our prayer!*

That God will grant wisdom and prudence to our Holy Father, Pope, our Bishop,, to other bishops and priests, and the leaders of all nations, states, and communities, *St. Jude intercede for us!*

That the light of the true faith will be brought to all people, *St. Jude, intercede for us!*

That all men, regardless of race, creed, or personal differences may live in social harmony, *St. Jude intercede for us!*

That all people will be given the mental and emotional strength to live in peace and love under the strain of modern living, *St. Jude, intercede for us!*

That the ties of love and affection among family members will be strengthened, *St. Jude, intercede for us!*

That the Church will be strengthened with an abundance of priestly and religious vocations, *St. Jude, intercede for us!*

That through our cooperation we will fulfill the hopes of the Second Vatican Council,

under the guidance of the Holy Spirit, *St. Jude, intercede for us!*

That all people will retain their health and that the sick, especially, will regain their health, according to God's holy will, *St. Jude, intercede for us!*

That God will grant us respect for authority and the aged, *St. Jude, intercede for us!*

That God will grant eternal rest to our departed relatives and friends,, and to all departed souls, *St. Jude, intercede for us!*

That God will grant us our special intentions, particularly, and for the intentions of all people devoted to you, *St. Jude, intercede for us!*

That faith, hope, and charity may increase in our hearts, *St. Jude, intercede for us!*

That the grace and strength to avoid sin and the occasions of sin will be granted to us, *St. Jude, intercede for us!*

That before death we will be given the grace to be cleansed of all our sins by a sincere sorrow and worthy reception of the sacraments, *St. Jude, intercede for us!*

That God in His mercy will grant us a favorable judgment, *St. Jude, intercede for us!*

That God will answer the prayers of the people requesting a remembrance in the devotions offered to you at the National Shrine, *St. Jude, intercede for us!*

Let Us Pray

Glorious apostle and martyr, St. Jude Thaddeus, † whose traits and accomplishments we have just extolled † and who used these gifts to bring Christ to many people, † pray for us that the presence of Christ in our lives may increase. † Pray that we may renounce every sinful habit and refrain from all selfish actions. † May we always know your intercession in danger and difficulty, † and may we safely reach heaven to adore with you the most Holy Trinity, † the Father, Son, and Holy Spirit, forever and ever. Amen.

Prayer for Particular Needs

St. Jude, apostle of Christ, the Church honors and prays to you universally as the patron of hopeless and difficult cases. † Pray for us in our needs. † Make use, we implore you, of this powerful privilege given to you, † to bring visible and speedy help where help is needed. † Pray that we humbly accept the trials and disappointments and mistakes which are a part of our human nature. † Help us to see the reflection of the suffering of Christ in the trials and tribulations of our own lives. † Let us see in a spirit of great faith and hope † the part we even now share in the joy of

Christ's resurrection, † and which we long to share fully in heaven. † Intercede that we may again experience this joy in answer to our present needs † if it is God's desire for us. † (Here make your request.) We know our prayers will be heard through your intercession. Amen.

Prayer of Thanksgiving

Lord Jesus Christ, we thank You for all the graces and favors which You have given us † through the prayers of your apostle, Jude Thaddeus. † Great apostle, St. Jude, we thank you for your intercession, in response to our prayer. † We will always be grateful to you. † Continue your intercession for our needs and for our difficulties. † Be with us particularly in the hour of our death. † Protect us against the fury of the enemy with your prayers to God. Amen.

Selected Psalms for Use During the Liturgical Seasons

St. Jude as a member of God's Chosen People prayed these Psalms during his lifetime, as did Christ, with sentiments similar to those

which the Church expresses during her liturgical seasons.

The following Psalms are suggested for the various liturgical seasons. Other Psalms can be chosen by someone making the devotions to St. Jude privately. Priest and people should alternately recite the verses of the Psalms.

ADVENT:

Psalm Nos. 8, 23, 44, 84

CHRISTMAS AND EPIPHANY SEASONS:

Psalm Nos. 2, 86, 95, 96, 97

SEPTUAGESIMA AND LENT:

Psalm Nos. 2, 12, 42, 142

EASTER:

Psalms Nos. 3, 4, 67 iii, 150

PENTECOST AND TIME AFTER PENTECOST:

Psalm Nos. 1, 5, 15, 47, 97

The following Antiphon should be used to introduce and conclude the Psalms:

(Antiphon, *Ep. St. Jude, v. 25*) To the only God our Savior, through Jesus Christ our Lord, belong glory and majesty, dominion and authority, before all time, and now, and forever. Amen.

Psalm 1 — Happiness of the Just and Unhappiness of the Wicked

Happy the man who follows not
the counsel of the wicked
Nor walks in the way of sinners,*
nor sits in the company of the insolent,
But delights in the law of the Lord*
and meditates on his law day and night.*

He is like a tree
planted near running water,
That yields its fruit in due season,
and whose leaves never fade.**

*Whatever he does, prospers.
Not so the wicked, not so,*
they are like chaff which the wind drives away.
Therefore in judgment the wicked shall not stand,*
nor shall sinners, in the assembly of the just.
For the Lord watches over the way of the just,*
but the way of the wicked vanishes.*

*Glory be to the Father, etc.
As it was in the beginning, etc.*

Psalm 2 — The Struggles and Triumphs of Christ

Why do the nations rage
and the peoples utter folly?
The kings of the earth rise up,
and the princes conspire together*
against the Lord and against his anointed:
"Let us break their fetters*
and cast their bonds from us!"*

He who is throned in heaven laughs;
the Lord derides them*

Then in anger he speaks to them;
he terrifies them in his wrath:
"I myself have set up my king*
on Sion, my holy mountain."
I will proclaim the decree of the Lord:
The Lord said to me,* "You are my son;
this day I have begotten you.
Ask of me and I will give you
the nations for an inheritance*
and the ends of the earth for your possession.
You shall rule them with an iron rod:*
you shall shatter them like an earthen dish."
And now, O kings, give heed;*
take warning, you rulers of the earth.
Serve the Lord with fear, and rejoice before him;*
with trembling pay homage to him,
Lest he be angry and you perish from the way,
when his anger blazes suddenly.*
Happy are all who take refuge in him!
Glory be to the Father, etc.
As it was in the beginning, etc.*

Psalm 3 — Confidence of Christ in His Triumph

O Lord, how many are my adversaries!
Many rise up against me!
Many are saying of me,*
"There is no salvation for him in God."
But you, O Lord, are my shield;*
my glory, you lift up my head!
When I call out to the Lord,*
he answers me from his holy mountain.
When I lie down in sleep,*
I wake again, for the Lord sustains me.
I fear not the myriads of people*
arrayed against me on every side.*

*Rise up, O Lord!**
Save me, my God!
*For you strike all my enemies on the cheek;**
the teeth of the wicked you break.
*Salvation is the Lord's!**
upon your people be your blessing!
Glory be to the Father, etc.
As it was in the beginning, etc.

Psalm 4 — Triumphant Joy of Christ

When I call, answer me, O my God,
*you who relieve me when I am in distress;**
Have pity on me, and hear my prayer!
*Men of rank, how long will you be dull of heart?**
Why do you love what is vain and seek after
falsehood?
Know that the Lord does wonders for his faithful
*one!**
the Lord will hear me when I call upon him.
*Tremble, and sin not;**
reflect, upon your beds, in silence.
*Offer just sacrifices,**
and trust in the Lord.
*Many say, "Oh, that we might see better times!"**
O Lord, let the light of your countenance
shine upon us!
*You put gladness into my heart,**
more than when grain and wine abound.
As soon as I lie down, I fall peacefully asleep,
*for you alone, O Lord,**
bring security to my dwelling.
Glory be to the Father, etc.
As it was in the beginning, etc.

Psalm 5 — The True Worshiper

Harken to my words, O Lord,
attend to my sighing.
Heed my call for help,* my king and my God!
To you I pray, O Lord;
at dawn you hear my voice!**
at dawn I bring my plea expectantly before you.
*For you, O God, delight not in wickedness;
no evil man remains with you!**
the arrogant may not stand in your sight.
*You hate all evildoers;**
you destroy all who speak falsehood;
*The bloodthirsty and the deceitful**
the Lord abhors.

But I, because of your abundant kindness,
will enter your house;
I will worship at your holy temple*
in fear of you, O Lord;*
*Because of my enemies, guide me in your justice;**
make straight your way before me.

*For in their mouth there is no sincerity;**
their heart teems with treacheries.
*Their throat is an open grave;**
they flatter with their tongue.
*Punish them O God;**
let them fall by their own devices;
*For their many sins, cast them out**
because they have rebelled against you.

But let all who take refuge in you
be glad and exult forever.*
*Protect them, that you may be the joy**
of those who love your name.
*For you, O Lord, bless the just man;**
*you surround him with the shield of your good
will.*

Glory be to the Father, etc.
As it was in the beginning, etc.

Psalm 8 — Christ's Humanity, the Marvel of Creation

O Lord, our Lord
how glorious is your name over all the earth!*
You have exalted your majesty above the heavens.
Out of the mouth of babes and sucklings
you have fashioned praise because of your foes,*
to silence the hostile and the vengeful.
When I behold your heavens, the work of your
fingers,*
the moon and the stars which you set in place —
What is man that you should be mindful of him*
or the son of man that you should care for him?
You have made him little less than the angels,*
and crowned him with glory and honor.
You have given him rule over the works of your
hands,*
putting all things under his feet:
All sheep and oxen,*
yes, and the beasts of the field,
The birds of the air, the fishes of the sea,*
and whatever swims the paths of the seas.
O Lord, our Lord,*
how glorious is your name over all the earth!
Glory be to the Father, etc.
As it was in the beginning, etc.

Psalm 12 — Prayer of Christ in Suffering

How long, O Lord? Will you utterly forget me?*

How long will you hide your face from me?

How long shall I harbor sorrow in my soul,*
grief in my heart day after day?

How long will my enemy triumph over me?*

Look, answer me, O Lord, my God!

*Give light to my eyes that I may not sleep in death**

*lest my enemy say, "I have overcome him";
Lest my foes rejoice at my downfall**

though I trusted in your kindness

*Let my heart rejoice in your salvation;**

let me sing of the Lord, "He has been good to me."

Glory be to the Father, etc.

As it was in the beginning, etc.

Psalm 15 — Confidence of Christ in His Resurrection

*Keep me, O God, for in you I take refuge;**

I say to the Lord, "My Lord are you.

Apart from you I have no good."

How wonderfully has he made me cherish
the holy ones who are in his land!*

*They multiply their sorrows**

who court other gods.

*Blood libations to them I will not pour out,**

nor will I take their names upon my lips.

*O Lord, my allotted portion and my cup,**

you it is who hold fast my lot.

*For me the measuring lines have fallen on
pleasant sites;**

fair to me indeed is my inheritance.

*I bless the Lord who counsels me;**

even in the night my heart exhorts me.

*I set the Lord ever before me;**

*with him at my right hand I shall not be
disturbed.*

Therefore my heart is glad and my soul rejoices,
my body, too, abides in confidence;*

*Because you will not abandon my soul to the
nether world,*
nor will you suffer your faithful one to
undergo corruption.
You will show me the path to life,
fulness of joys in your presence,*
the delights at your right hand forever.
Glory be to the Father, etc.
As it was in the beginning, etc.*

Psalm 23 — The Advent and Triumph of Christ

The Lord's are the earth and its fulness;
the world and those who dwell in it.
For he founded it upon the seas*
and established it upon the rivers.*

*Who can ascend the mountain of the Lord?**
or who may stand in his holy place?
He whose hands are sinless, whose heart is clean,
*who desires not what is vain,**
nor swears deceitfully to his neighbor.
*He shall receive a blessing from the Lord,**
a reward from God his savior.
*Such is the race that seeks for him;**
that seeks the face of the God of Jacob.

Lift up, O gates, your lintels;
*reach up, you ancient portals,**
that the king of glory may come in!
*Who is this king of glory?**
The Lord, strong and mighty,
the Lord, mighty in battle.

Lift up, O gates, your lintels;
*reach up, you ancient portals,**
that the king of glory may come in!

*Who is this king of glory?**

The Lord of hosts; he is the king of glory.

Glory be to the Father, etc.

As it was in the beginning, etc.

Psalm 42 — Confident Prayer of the Suffering Christ

*Do me justice, O God, and fight my fight
against a faithless people;**

from the deceitful and impious man rescue me

*For you, O God, are my strength.**

Why do you keep me so far away?

*Why must I go about in mourning,
with the enemy oppressing me?*

*Send forth your light and your fidelity,
they shall lead me on**

*And bring me to your holy mountain,
to your dwelling-place.*

Then will I go in to the altar of God,
the God of my gladness and joy;*

Then will I give you thanks upon the harp,
O God, my God!*

*Why are you so downcast, O my soul?**

Why do you sigh within me?

Hope in God! For I shall again be thanking him,
in the presence of my savior and my God.*

Glory be to the Father, etc.

As it was in the beginning, etc.

Psalm 44 — Glory to Christ and Mary

*My heart overflows with a goodly theme;
as I sing my ode to the king,**

*my tongue is nimble as the pen of a skillful
scribe.*

*Fairer in beauty are you than the sons of men;
grace is poured out upon your lips;*
thus God has blessed you forever.
Gird your sword upon your thigh, O mighty one!*
in your splendor and your majesty
Ride on triumphant in the cause of truth and for
the sake of justice;*
and may your right hand show you wondrous
deeds.*

*Your arrows are sharp; peoples are subject to
you;*
a tempered rod is your royal scepter.
You love justice and hate wickedness;
therefore God, your God, has anointed you*
with the oil of gladness above your fellow
kings.
With myrrh and aloes and cassia your robes are
fragrant;*
from ivory palaces string music brings you joy.
The daughters of kings come to meet you;*
the queen takes her place at your right hand in
gold of Ophir.*

*Glory be to the Father, etc.
As it was in the beginning, etc.*

Psalm 47 — The Church, the City of Christ

Great is the Lord and wholly to be praised
in the city of our God.
His holy mountain, fairest of heights,*
is the joy of all the earth;
Mount Sion, "the recesses of the North,"*
is the city of the great King.
God is with her castles;*
renowned is he as a stronghold.*

For lo! the kings assemble,
they come on together;
They also see, and at once are stunned,*
terrified, routed;
Quaking seizes them there;*
anguish, like a woman's in labor,
As though a wind from the east*
were shattering ships of Tharsis.
As we had heard, so have we seen*
in the city of the Lord of hosts,
In the city of our God;*
God makes it firm forever.
O God, we ponder your kindness*
within your temple.
As your name, O God, so also your praise*
reaches to the ends of the earth.
Of justice your right hand is full;*
let Mount Sion be glad,
Let the cities of Juda rejoice,*
because of your judgments.
Go about Sion, make the round;*
count her towers.
Consider her ramparts,*
examine her castles,
That you may tell a future generation*
that such is God,
Our God forever and ever;*
he will guide us.
Glory be to the Father, etc.
As it was in the beginning, etc.*

Psalm 67, iii — Triumphant Ascension of Christ and His People

They view your progress, O God,
the progress of my God, my King, into the
sanctuary;*

*The singers lead, the minstrels follow,
 in their midst the maidens play on timbrels.
 In your choirs bless God;*
 bless the Lord, you of Israel's wellspring!
 There is Benjamin, the youngest, leading them;
 the princes of Juda in a body,*
 the princes of Zabulon, the princes of Nephthali.*

Show forth, O God, your power,
 the power, O God, with which you took our
 part;
 For your temple in Jerusalem*
 let the kings bring you gifts.
 Rebuke the wild beast of the reeds,*
 the herd of strong bulls and the bullocks,
 the nations.*

Let them prostrate themselves with bars of silver;
 scatter the peoples who delight in war.
 Let nobles come from Egypt;*
 let Ethiopia extend its hands to God.*

*You kingdoms of the earth, sing to God,
 chant praise to the Lord*
 who rides on the heights of the ancient heavens.*

Behold, his voice resounds, the voice of power:
 "Confess the power of God!"
 Over Israel is his majesty;*
 his power is in the skies.*

*Awesome in his sanctuary is God, the God of
 Israel;
 he gives power and strength to his people.*
 Blessed be God!*

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 As it was in the beginning, etc.*

Psalm 84 — Our Redemption

You have favored, O Lord, your land;
 you have restored the well-being of Jacob.*

You have forgiven the guilt of your people;
you have covered all their sins.
You have withdrawn all your wrath;*
you have revoked all your burning anger.*

Restore us, O God our savior,
and abandon your displeasure against us.
Will you be ever angry with us,*
prolonging your anger to all generations?
Will you not instead give us life;*
and shall not your people rejoice in you?
Show us, O Lord, your kindness,*
and grant us your salvation.*

*I will hear what God proclaims;
the Lord — * for he proclaims peace
To his people, and to his faithful ones,*
and to those who put in him their hope.*

Near indeed is his salvation to those who fear him
glory dwelling in our land.*

Kindness and truth shall meet;
justice and peace shall kiss.*

Truth shall spring out of the earth,
and justice shall look down from heaven.*

The Lord himself will give his benefits,
our land shall yield its increase.*

Justice shall walk before him,
and salvation, along the way of his steps.*

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As it was in the beginning, etc.*

Psalm 86 — The Glory of Creation

*His foundation upon the holy mountains
the Lord loves:
the Gates of Sion,
more than any dwelling of Jacob.
Glorious things are said of you,*
O city of God!*

*I tell of Egypt and Babylon
among those that know the Lord;*
Of Philistia, Tyre, Ethiopia:
"This man was born there."
And of Sion they shall say:
"One and all were born in her;*
And he who has established her
is the Most High Lord."
They shall note, when the peoples are enrolled:**
*"This man was born there."
And all shall sing, in their festive dance:**
"My home is within you."

*Glory be to the Father, etc.
As it was in the beginning, etc.*

Psalm 95 — Praise to the Lord, King

*Sing to the Lord a new song;**
sing to the Lord, all you lands.
*Sing to the Lord; bless his name;**
announce his salvation, day after day.
*Tell his glory among the nations;**
among all peoples, his wondrous deeds.
*For great is the Lord and highly to be praised;**
awesome is he, beyond all gods.
For all the gods of the nations are things of
*nought,**
but the Lord made the heavens.
*Splendor and majesty go before him;**
praise and grandeur are in his sanctuary.

Give to the Lord, you families of nations,
*give to the Lord glory and praise;**
give to the Lord the glory due his name!
*Bring gifts, and enter his courts;**
worship the Lord in holy attire.

*Tremble before him, all the earth;**
say among the nations; "The Lord is king.
*He has made the world firm, not to be moved;**
he governs the peoples with equity."

Let the heavens be glad and the earth rejoice;
*let the sea and what fills it resound;**
let the plains be joyful and all that is in them.
Then shall all the trees of the forest exult
*before the Lord, for he comes;**
for he comes to rule the earth.
*He shall rule the world with justice**
and the peoples with his constancy.

Glory be to the Father, etc.
As it was in the beginning, etc.

Psalm 96 — The Promise to the Worshipers of the True God

*The Lord is king; let the earth rejoice;**
let the many isles be glad.
*Clouds and darkness are round about him,**
justice and judgment are the foundations of his
throne.
*Fire goes before him**
and consumes his foes round about.
*His lightnings illumine the world;**
the earth sees and trembles.
*The mountains melt like wax before the Lord,**
before the Lord of all the earth.
*The heavens proclaim his justice,**
and all peoples see his glory.
All who worship graven things are put to shame,
*who glory in the things of nought;**
all goods are prostrate before him.
Sion hears and is glad
*and the cities of Juda rejoice**
because of your judgments, O Lord.

*Because you, O Lord, are Most High all over the
earth,*
exalted far above all gods.
The Lord loves those that hate evil;
he guards the lives of his faithful ones;*
from the hand of the wicked he delivers them.
Light dawns for the just;*
and gladness, for the upright of heart.
Be glad in the Lord, you just,*
and give thanks to his holy name.
Glory be to the Father, etc.
As it was in the beginning, etc.*

Psalm 97 — The Victory of Christ

Sing to the Lord a new song,
for he has done wondrous deeds;
His right hand has won victory for him,*
his holy arm.
The Lord has made his salvation known;*
in the sight of the nations he has revealed
his justice.
He has remembered his kindness and his
faithfulness*
toward the house of Israel.
All the ends of the earth have seen*
the salvation by our God.
Sing joyfully to the Lord, all you lands;*
break into song; sing praise.
Sing praise to the Lord with the harp,*
with the harp and melodious song.
With trumpets and the sound of the horn,*
sing joyfully before the King, the Lord.
Let the sea and what fills it resound,*
the world and those who dwell in it;*

Let the rivers clap their hands,
the mountains shout with them for joy
Before the Lord, for he comes,*
for he comes to rule the earth;
He will rule the world with justice*
and the peoples with equity.*

*Glory be to the Father, etc.
As it was in the beginning, etc.*

Psalm 142 — Supplication of Christ in Agony

*O Lord, hear my prayer;
hearken to my pleading in your faithfulness,*
in your justice answer me.
And enter not into judgment with your servant,*
for before you no living man is just.*

*For the enemy pursues me;
he has crushed my life to the ground,*
he has left me dwelling in the dark, like those
long dead.*

And my spirit is faint within me,
my heart within me is appalled.*

*I remember the days of old;
I meditate on all your doings,*
the works of your hands I ponder.*

I stretch out my hands to you;
my soul thirsts for you like parched land.*

Hasten to answer me, O Lord,
for my spirit fails me.*

Hide not your face from me
lest I become like those who go down into
the pit.*

At dawn let me hear of your kindness,
for in you I trust.*

Show me the way in which I should walk,
for to you I lift up my soul.*

Rescue me from my enemies, O Lord,
for in you I hope.*

Teach me to do your will,
for you are my God.*

May your good spirit guide me on level ground.*

*For your name's sake, O Lord, preserve me;**

*in your justice free me from distress,
And in your kindness destroy my enemies;
bring to nought all my foes,*
for I am your servant.*

Glory be to the Father, etc.

As it was in the beginning, etc.

Psalm 150 — Praise the Lord

Praise the Lord in his sanctuary,
praise him in the firmament of his strength.*

*Praise him for his mighty deeds,**

praise him for his sovereign majesty.

*Praise him with the blast of the trumpet,**

praise him with lyre and harp,

*Praise him with timbrel and dance,**

praise him with strings and pipes.

Praise him with sounding cymbals,

*praise him with clanging cymbals.**

Let everything that has breath

praise the Lord!

Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.

Glory be to the Father, etc.

As it was in the beginning, etc.

After the reading of the Psalms, the solemn incensation and enthronement of the Book of Scripture takes place, followed by a reading of the Scripture and the homily.

For those people who are making the devotions to St. Jude privately, if time permits, it is recommended that they select a passage of Scripture, and, if possible, read a commentary on the passage selected. If no other selection of Scripture is available, the Epistle of St. Jude is found on page 37.

HYMNS

Hymn to St. Jude

1
*To come to your altar our faith brings us here
We come to implore you, may God our pleas hear*

Chorus

*O good St. Jude; we call on your name
Your praises loud your people proclaim.
(Repeat)*

2
*May God's will be done, St. Jude we request
O give what we ask you if it be for the best.*

Repeat Chorus

3
*St. Jude please obtain us the grace that we need
And bring us God's strength for which we now
plead.*

Repeat Chorus

Come Holy Ghost

*Come Holy Ghost, Creator blest
And in our hearts take up Your rest;
Come with your grace and heavenly aid,
To fill the hearts which You have made.
To fill the hearts which You have made.*

BENEDICTION HYMNS

O Saving Victim

*O Saving Victim opening wide
Heaven's gate to man below!
Our foes press on from every side,
Your aid supply and strength bestow.
To Your great name be endless praise,
Immortal Godhead, One in Three;
Oh, grant us endless length of days,
In our true native land with You. Amen.*

Bowing Low, Then, Offer Homage

*Bowing low, then, offer homage
To a Sacrament so great!
Here is new and perfect worship;
All the old must terminate.
Senses cannot grasp this marvel:
Faith must serve to compensate.
Praise and glorify the Father,
Bless his Son's life-giving name,
Singing their eternal Godhead,
Power, majesty and fame,
Offering their Holy Spirit
Equal worship and acclaim. Amen.*

Priest:

You have given them bread from heaven. (Alleluia)

People:

Having all sweetness within it. (Alleluia)

Priest:

Let us pray . . .

People:

Amen.

Additional Prayers to St. Jude

Prayer in Great Affliction

St. Jude Thaddeus, relative of Jesus Christ, glorious apostle and martyr, renowned for your virtues and miracles, faithful and prompt intercessor of all who honor you and trust in you! You are a powerful patron and helper in great afflictions. I entreat you from the depths of my heart; come to my aid with your powerful intercession, for you have received from God the privilege to assist with your manifest help those who almost despair of all hope. Look down upon me; my life is a life of crosses, my days are days of tribulation, and my heart is an ocean of bitterness. My soul is enveloped in darkness. Disquietude, discouragement, mistrust, yes, sometimes even a kind of despair preys upon my soul. Divine Providence seems lost to my sight, and faith seems to falter in my heart. Overwhelmed by these thoughts, I ask your help.

Do not forsake me in this sad plight. Hasten to my aid. I will be grateful to you all my life and will honor you as my special patron. I will thank God for the graces bestowed upon you, and will encourage honor to you according to my power. Amen.

Prayer to St. Jude Thaddeus, Apostle

St. Jude by those sublime prerogatives which you received in your lifetime, namely, your kinship with our Lord Jesus Christ, and your vocation to be an Apostle; by that Glory which now is yours in heaven as the reward of your apostolic labors and your martyrdom; obtain for us from the Giver of every good and perfect gift all the graces whereof we stand in need in order to treasure up in our hearts the divinely inspired doctrines which you have transmitted to us in your Epistle; that is to say, to build our edifice of perfection upon our most holy Faith, praying by the grace of the Holy Spirit; to keep ourselves in the love of God, looking for the mercy of Jesus Christ unto eternal life; to strive by all means to help them that go astray; exalting thus the glory and majesty, the dominion and power of Him who is able to keep us without sin and to present us spotless with exceeding joy at the coming of our divine Savior, the Lord Jesus Christ. Amen.

The Epistle of St. Jude

The time of the writing of this epistle is uncertain. From Verse 17 it may be inferred that at the time few of the Apostles were living except St. John. St. Jude inveighs against the heresies and immorality of the Simonians, Nicolaites and Gnostics. He exhorts the faithful to contend earnestly for the faith once delivered to the Saints.

Jude, the servant of Jesus Christ and the brother of James, to the called who have been loved in God the Father and preserved for Christ Jesus: 2. mercy and peace and charity be given you in abundance.

3. Beloved, while I was making every endeavor to write to you about our common salvation, I found it necessary to write to you, exhorting you to contend earnestly for the faith once for all delivered to the saints. 4. For certain men have stealthily entered in, who long ago were marked out for this condemnation, ungodly men who turn the grace of God into wantonness and disown our only Master and Lord, Jesus Christ.

5. But I desire to remind you, though once for all you have come to know all things, that Jesus, who saved the people from the land of Egypt, the next time destroyed those who did not believe. 6. And the angels also who did not preserve their original state, but forsook their abode, he has kept in everlasting chains under darkness for the judgment of the great day. 7. Just as Sodom and Gomorrah, and the neighboring cities which like them committed sins of immorality and practiced unnatural vice, have been made an example, undergoing the punishment of eternal fire.

8. In like manner do these men also defile the flesh, disregard authority, deride majesty. 9. Yet when Michael the archangel was fiercely disputing with the devil about the body of Moses, he did not venture to bring against him an accusation of blasphemy, but said, "May the Lord rebuke thee." 10. But these men deride whatever they do not know; and the things they know by instinct like the dumb beasts, become for them a source of destruction. 11. Woe to them! for they have gone in the way of Cain, and have rushed on thoughtlessly into the error of Balaam for the sake of gain,

and have perished in the rebellion of Core. 12. These men are stains on their feasts, banqueting together without fear, looking after themselves; clouds without water, carried about by the winds; trees in the fall, unfruitful, twice dead, uprooted. 13. Wild waves of the sea, foaming up their shame; wandering stars, for whom the storm of darkness has been reserved forever.

14. Now of these also Henoch, the seventh from Adam, prophesied, saying, "Behold, the Lord has come with thousands of his holy ones. 15. to execute judgment upon all, and to convict all the impious of all their impious works, and of all the hard things that impious sinners have spoken against him." 16. These are grumbling murmurers walking according to their lusts. And haughty in speech, they cultivate people for the sake of gain. 17. But as for you beloved, be mindful of the words that have been spoken beforehand by the apostles of our Lord Jesus Christ, 18. who kept saying to you that at the end of time there will come scoffers, walking impiously according to their lusts. 19. These are they who set themselves apart, sensual men, not having the

Spirit.

20. But as for you, beloved, build up yourselves upon your most holy faith, praying in the Holy Spirit. 21. Keep yourselves in the love of God, looking for the mercy of our Lord Jesus Christ unto life everlasting. 22. And some, who are judged, reprove; 23. but others, save, snatching them from the fire. And to others be merciful with fear, hating even the garment which is soiled by the flesh.

24. Now to him who is able to preserve you without sin and to set you before the presence of his glory, without blemish, in gladness, 25. to the only God our Savior, through Jesus Christ our Lord, belong glory and majesty, dominion and authority, before all time, and now, and forever. Amen.

THE NATIONAL SHRINE and ST. JUDE LEAGUE

The National Shrine of St. Jude was established by the Claretian Missionary Fathers in 1929 and is, thus, the original or "mother" shrine of devotion to St. Jude in North America.

St. Jude League is a devotional organization sponsored by the Claretian Fathers of the National Shrine of St. Jude that brings together, formally, people devoted to St. Jude Thaddeus, Apostle and "patron of difficult or hopeless cases."

Members of St. Jude League share in the weekly devotions conducted at the National Shrine of St. Jude each Sunday and Wednesday and in the five Solemn Novenas conducted each year at the National Shrine.

Members participate in three Masses offered each week, two on the tomb of St. Jude in Rome and one at the National Shrine.

An indulgence of 100 days may be gained by members for each act of piety or charity made according to the object of the League.

Dues for annual membership in St. Jude League are one dollar. Co-operating members give five dollars a year. The offering for enrollment as perpetual members is twenty-five dollars and for perpetual family membership, one hundred dollars. Perpetual members receive a beautiful diploma suitable for framing.

A Plenary Indulgence, under the usual conditions, may be gained by members of St. Jude League (S.P.Ap., Sept. 10, 1959): 1. On the day of enrollment. 2. On the feasts of Christmas, Easter, Christ the King, St. Jude, (October 28), and St. Anthony Claret (October 23). 3. On the feasts of Our Lady of Guadalupe (December 12) and the Immaculate Heart of Mary (August 22). 4. On the last day of each Solemn Novena to St. Jude at the National Shrine. 5. At the hour of death.

PRAYER TO ST. JUDE

To be said when problems arise or when one seems to be deprived of all visible help, or for cases almost despaired of.

Most holy apostle, St. Jude, faithful servant and friend of Jesus, the name of the traitor who delivered your beloved Master into the hands of His enemies has caused you to be forgotten by many, but the Church honors and invokes you universally, as the patron of hopeless cases, of things almost despaired of. Pray for me, I am so helpless and alone. Make use I implore you, of that particular privilege given to you, to bring visible and speedy help where help is almost despaired of. Come to my assistance in this great need that I may receive the consolation and help of heaven in all my necessities, tribulations, and sufferings, particularly—(*Here make your request*) and that I may praise God with you and all the elect forever. I promise, O blessed St. Jude, to be ever mindful of this great favor, to always honor you as my special and powerful patron, and to gratefully encourage devotion to you. Amen.

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